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- The following towns were reported unoccupied by Soviet troops between 1 and 25 February 1950:

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Guettersfelde near Stahnsdorf (N 53/Z 73)	Schoeneiche (N 53/Z 91)
Schenkendorf (N 53/Z 72)	Telz near Zossen (N 53/Z 92)
Sputendorf (N 53/Z 72)	Klausdorf (N 53/Z 61)
Arensdorf (N 53/Z 72)	Neuhof near Wuensdorf (N 53/Z 90)
Siethen (N 53/Z 72)	Woltersdorf near Luckenwalde (N 53/Z 70)
Ludwigsfeld (N 53/Z 72)	
Genshagen (N 53/Z 82)	
Loewenbruch (N 53/Z 82)	
Kerzendorf (N 53/Z 72)	(1).
Tyrow (N 53/Z 71)	

- A Soviet **kommendatura** has been newly established on the western side of Roebelerstrasse, at the northern exit of Wittstock, since last observations in December 1949. Trucks C 5-71-73 and C 5-71-86 were parked in front of the **kommendatura** on 9 February 1950. Truck E 1-19-44 was parked in front of the opposite building into which furniture was being moved. Two soldiers wearing red-bordered black epauletts carried boxes into the building.
- The Wittstock **kommendatura** was located in a building on the exit road leading to Roebel. Gentries wore black-bordered purple epauletts on 11 February 1950 (2). Passenger car C 3-05-84 and trucks C 3-05-91 and C 5-71-86 were seen in town.
- An infantry unit of 100 to 150 troops was quartered on the former Hindenburgstrasse, Seelow (O 53/V 55), on 10 February 1950. Trucks E 2-32-65 and C 7-43-65 were seen. An MVD office was located at 24 Hindenburgstrasse (3).

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5. It was learned on 12 February 1950 that the Britz (W 53/2 84) cantonment served as a storage depot rather than as a troop camp. Capt Davidoff, the former commanding officer, had been transferred. Officers seen in the cantonment wore artillery insignia or no branch-of-service insignia. Trucks C 8-88-82 T and 4-41-78 T, both loaded with loaves of bread, were identified on 12 February 1950. Bus 2-36-44 was seen entering the cantonment and stopping near the entrance. Twelve soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets got out and went into a nearby cantonment building.

6. The equipment of the Angermuende kommendatura was moved to Ebersthalde (W 53/v 08) on a civilian truck, escorted by six soldiers, on 13 February 1950.

7. Some sort of a motorists' hotel was located at the junction of the Berlin-Stettin autobahn and Highway No 5, about 1,200 meters west of Pinowfurt (W 53/2 98). In this area, which was surrounded by an about 2-meter-high wire fence, was a three-story building, guarded by soldiers with black-bordered blue epaulets. Trucks 2-38-54, 2-38-? and 8-49-? were parked in the yard and trucks 2-38-15 and 2-38-23 in front of the entrance on 25 February 1950. All trucks were loaded with wooden boxes with slanting covers, the sides being about 150 cm long.

8. Schmidt/cder was not occupied by Soviet troops on 28 February 1950 (4).

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10. Twelve trucks, each carrying 8 to 10 soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets and black-bordered black epaulets and small wooden boxes, passed through Kloster-Jinna (W 53/2 69) on 3 March 1950. They came from the direction of Luckenwalde (W 53/2 70) and proceeded toward Jüterbog on 3 March 1950. The following numbers were seen:

B 3-64-75 T	B 3-73-07 T
L 3-64-78 T	E 6-63-63 T
B 3-64-79 T	E 6-69-73 T
B 3-73-03 T	E 6-69-74 T
B 3-73-04 T	E 6-69-76 T
B 3-73-05 T	E 6-69-78 T

Eight trucks, carrying 20 to 30 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and black-bordered black epaulets and loaded with chairs, tables, beds and other furniture, passed through Luckenwalde on 8 March 1950, proceeding toward Berlin. The following numbers were noted:

E 6-69-30 T	E 6-69-34 T	E 6-69-35 T.
E 6-69-32 T	E 6-69-4 T	
E 6-69-33 T	E 6-69-63 T	

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11. Troops had reoccupied the northern and northwestern section of the training area west of the Hammelspring; (N 54/U 81) - Vogelsang (N 54/U 70) road on 21 March 1950, according to local residents.

Passenger car 2-37-98 and the following trucks were observed enroute to the training area:

B 3-69-72 T	E 2-39-90 T
C 5-81-44 T	F 7-13-50
E 2-36-10	F 3-15-52
E 2-36-44	F 7-42-32 T (5).
E 2-37-32	

No Soviet troops were located in Zehdenick (N 54/U 70) on 21 March 1950.

six soldiers wearing black-bordered red epaulets and carrying submachine guns and practice-firing equipment were observed to enter the Templin (N 54/U 81) kommendatura on 21 March 1950.

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(1) The towns mentioned which are all located in the Berlin area, have never been occupied by Soviet troops.

(2) The kommendatura is not known to be located in Wittstock. It may have been mistaken for an AF headquarters.

(3) A kommendatura is known to be located in Seelow. The infantry unit observed was probably a guard unit.

(4) Schwedt on the Oder River, as was previously reported, is still unoccupied by Soviet troops.

(5) The area west of the Hammelspring-Vogelsang road (area west of Templin) is known as the 1949 training area, special-ly of component units of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army, (excluding the 7th Gds Mecz Div). The report indicates that some elements of these units may have returned to this area for field exercises in mid-March 1950. The units included elements of the 25th Tank Div and Hq units of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army, according to the evaluation of motor vehicle numbers.

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